


Remarks

The Office Action dated 18 October 2004 has been received and duly noted.
Claims 1-14, 17, 18 and 22-25 have been cancelled.

Claims 15, 16 and 19-21 were considered allowable. Newly added Claims 26-38 are also directed to a method of supporting an elongate member on a mounting bracket and are considered patentable with the cited art.

Early allowance of this application is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

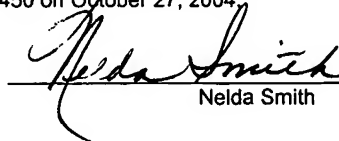


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